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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-1210]

Certain Wrapping Material and Methods for Use in Agricultural Applications;

**Notice of Institution** 

**AGENCY**: U.S. International Trade Commission.

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on July 7, 2020, under the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, on behalf of Tama Group of Israel and Tama USA Inc. of Dubuque, Iowa. Supplements to the complaint were filed on July 10 and 13, 2020. The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain wrapping material and methods for use in agricultural applications by reason of infringement of U.S. Patent No. 6,787,209 ("the '209 Patent"). The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by the applicable Federal Statute.

The complainant requests that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a limited exclusion order and cease and desist orders.

**ADDRESSES**: The complaint, as supplemented, except for any confidential information contained therein, may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at https://edis.usitc.gov. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who

will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at https://www.usitc.gov.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Katherine Hiner, Office of Docket Services, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone (202) 205-1802.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**AUTHORITY**: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, and in section 210.10 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10 (2020).

**SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION**: Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on August 5, 2020, **ORDERED THAT** –

- (1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain products identified in paragraph (2) by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1, 2, 4-16, 18, 28, 32, 33, and 35-45 of the '209 Patent, and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337;
- (2) Pursuant to section 210.10(b)(1) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10(b)(1), the plain language description of the accused products or category of accused products, which defines the scope of the investigation, is "wrapping material and/or methods of wrapping that are used for wrapping bales of cotton and are used exclusively in connection with Deere Machines";

| (3) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as |
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| parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:                          |

(a) The complainants are:

Tama Group

Kibbutz Mishmar HaEmek

1923600 Israel

Tama USA Inc.

PO Box 506

Dubuque, Iowa 52004

(b) The respondents are the following entities alleged to be in violation of section337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served:

Zhejiang Yajia Cotton Picker Parts Co., Ltd.

18 Sanfeng Road, Diankou Town, Zhuji City

311835 Zhejiang

China

Southern Marketing Affiliates, Inc.

2623 Commerce Drive

Jonesboro, AR 72401

Hai'an Xin Fu Yuan of Agricultural

Science and Technology Co., Ltd.

59 Kaiyuan North Road

Haian, Nantong, Jiangsu 226600,

China

Gosun Business Development Co.

Ltd.

12922 Oak Road

Grande Prairie AB T8V 4N1

Canada

(4) For the investigation so instituted, the Chief Administrative Law Judge, U.S. International Trade Commission, shall designate the presiding Administrative Law Judge.

The Office of Unfair Import Investigations will not participate as a party in this investigation.

Responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation must be submitted by the named respondents in accordance with section 210.13 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.13. Pursuant to 19 CFR 201.16(e) and 210.13(a), as amended in 85 Fed. Reg. 15798 (March 19, 2020), such responses will be considered by the Commission if received not later than 20 days after the date of service by the complainant of the complaint and the notice of investigation. Extensions of time for submitting responses to the complaint and the notice of investigation will not be granted unless good cause therefor is shown.

Failure of a respondent to file a timely response to each allegation in the complaint and in

this notice may be deemed to constitute a waiver of the right to appear and contest the allegations

of the complaint and this notice, and to authorize the administrative law judge and the

Commission, without further notice to the respondent, to find the facts to be as alleged in the

complaint and this notice and to enter an initial determination and a final determination

containing such findings, and may result in the issuance of an exclusion order or a cease and

desist order or both directed against the respondent.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: August 5, 2020.

Lisa Barton, Secretary to the Commission.

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